ACITY OF THE DEAD

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Patroly Destroyed-Many of the Bend tentified-An Awful Spectacle of Beath ma Church-Heartrending Sights in the Spicken City-Walls of Buildings Fallby and the Scene of Desolation Lighted Up by the Fire at the Bridge, which to Still Burning-Swift Punishment Meted out to Thieves who Were Caught Rob-Mag the Dead-Rellef on the Way-Huntreds of Charred Bodies Belleved to be Tader the Entre of the Burned Bridge-Rebody Knows How Many Thousands the Full Roll of the Dead will Number. JOHNSTOWN, June 2. -- When Superintendent Pitcairn telegraphed to Pittsburgh on Friday night that Johnstown was annihilated he came very close to the facts of the case, although he had not seen the ill-fated city. To say that Johnstown is a wreck is but stating the facts of the case. Nothing like it was ever seen in this country. Where long rows of dwelling houses and business blocks stood ferty-eight hours ago, ruin and desolatien now reign supreme. Probably 1,500 houses have been swept from the face of the earth as completely as if they had never been

erected. Main street, from end to end, is piled fitteen and twenty feet high with débris, and in some instances it is as high as the roofs of the houses. This great mass of wreckage fils the street from curb to curb, and frequently has crushed the buildings in and filled the space of the remainder of the terrible calamity. There is not a man in the place who can give any reliable estimate of the number of houses that have been swept away. City Bolletter Kuehn, who should be very good sutherity in this matter, places the number at 1500. From the woollen mill above the island to the bridge, a distance of probably two miles, a strip of territory nearly a half mile in width has been swept clean, not a stick of timber or one brick on top of another being left to tell the story. It is the most complete wreck that magination could portray.

All day long men, women, and children wer plodding about the desolate waste looking in vain to locate the boundaries of their former homes. Nothing but a wide expanse of mud. ornamented here and there with heaps of drift wood, remained, however, for their contemplation. It is perfectly safe to say that every on the hillside was either swept completely away or wrecked so hadly that rebuilding will be absolutely necessary. These losses, however, are nothing compared to the frightful sacrifice of precious human lives to be seen on

every hand. During all this solemn Sunday Johnstown has been drenched with the tears of stricker mortals, and the air is filled with sobs and sighs that come from breaking hearts. There are scenes enacted here every hour and every minute that affect all beholders profoundly. When homes are thus torn asunder in an instant, and the loved ones harled from the arms of loving and devoted mothers, there is an element of sadness in the tragedy that overwhelms every heart. An utterly wretched woman named Mrs. Fenn stood by a muddy pool of water trying to find some trace of a once happy home. She was half crazed with grief, and her eyes were red and swollen. As the writer stepped to her side, she raised her pale and haggard tsee and remarked:

"They are all gone. Oh, God. be merciful to them. My husband and my seven dear little children have been swept down with the flood. and I am left alone. We were driven by the awful flood into the garret, but the water followed us there. Inch by inch it kept rising until our heads were crushing against the roof. It was death to remain. So I raised a window and one by one placed my darlings on some driftwood, trusting to the great Creator. As I liberated the last one, my sweet little boy. helooked at me and said: 'Mamma, you alwars told me that the Lord would care for me; will He look after me now?' I saw him drift away, with his loving face turned toward me. and with a prayer on my lips for his deliverabon he passed from sight forever. The next moment the roof crashed in, and I floated outaids, to be rescued fifteen hours later from the roof of a house in Kernville. If I could only and one of my darlings I could bow to the will of God, but they all are gone. I have lost everything on earth now but my life, and I will return to my old Virginia home and lay me

down for my last great sleep." A handsome woman, with hair as black as faven's wing, walked through the depot where adozen or more bodies were awaiting burial.

Passing from one to another, she finally lifted the paper covering from the face of a woman young, and with traces of beauty showing brough the stains of muddy water, and with acty of anguisa she rected backward to be sucht by a rugged man who chanced to be leading. In a moment or so she backerined herself sufficiently to take to take more look at the features of her dead. She stood gazing at the corpse self dumb. Finally, turning away with other wild burst of grief, she said: "And her beautiful hair all matted and her sweet face so bruised and stained with mud and water. The dead woman was the sister of the mourner. The body was paced in a coffin a few minutes

later and sent away to its narrow house. These incidents are but fair samples of the cenes familiar at every turn in this stricken city. The loss of life is simply dreadful. The

most conservative people declare that the number will reach 5.000. The streets have been full of men carrying bodies to various places, where they await identification, since morning, and the work has only begun, Every hour or so the forces of men working on the various heaps of debris find numbers of bodies buried in the wreckage. It is believed that when the flames are extinguished in the wreckage at the bridge and the same is removed, that hundreds and hundreds of victims will be discovered. In fact this seems certain, as dozens of bodies have already been found on the outskirts of the huge mass of broken

The reports from outside points are also appearing. Up to 9 o'clock to night 180 bodies had been embaimed at Nineveh, and there is a report that 200 more have been discovered half buried in the mud on an island between New Florence and the place named. At the Fourth ward schoolhouse over 100 victims have been laid out for identification.

In many cases they have been recognized. Shocking sights have become so common that they have lost their terror, and the finding of a body here and there attracts little or no attention from the great crowds that constantly line the river banks and crowd all other accessible

As this is being written hundreds of home-

ess men and women and children are sleeping on the hillsides under tents that were sent from Pittsburgh and other places. The Pennsylvavia Railroad has succeeded in getting a track through to the city and provisions enough to meet all immediate wants have arrived. Adjt.-Gen. Hastings is in charge of the poand the various relief corps, and he is doing good work for the sufferers. Those people who were not swept away or disabled are working earnestly for the revival of the stricken city, but it will take months of work to come any where near repairing the fearful damage. While it is about certain that the list of the lost will never be made complete, the supply of coffins sent in from Pittsburgh and other points is so great that the relief committe telegraphed last evening not to send any more until ordered. No funds have yet been received from Philadelphia, but the authorities are confident that when telegraphic communications are restored they will get liberal contributions from that city Dozens of smaller places have already sent in generous sums of money, and the people are encouraged to believe all of their more pressing wants will be provided for. It will require several days yet to ascertain anything like a definite idea of the loss of life, but it will certainly reach up into thousands. Every hour brings fresh evidence of the fact that the disaster eclipses anything of the kind in the country's history, and no one can say what the final results will be.

A TOUR OF THE DESOLATED TOWN. A slide, a series of frightful tosses from side to side, a run, and you have crossed the narrow rope bridge which spanned the chasm dug by the waters between the stone bridge and Johnstown. Crossing the bridge is an exciting task, yet many women accomplished it rather than remain in Johnstown. The bridge pitched like a ship in a storm. Within two inches of your feet rushed the muddy waters of the Conemaugh. There were no ropes to easily guide, and creeping was more convenient than walking. One had to cross the Conemaugh at a second point in order to reach Johnstown proper. This was accomplished by a skiff ferry. The ferryman clung to a rope and pulled the boat over.

After landing one walks across a desolate sea of mud, in which there are interred many human bodies. It was once the handsome portion of the town. The cellars are filled up with mud, so that a person who has never seen the city can hardly imagine that houses ever stood where they did. Four streets solidly built up with houses have been swept away. Nothing but a small two-story frame house remains. It was near the edge of the wave and thus escaped, although one side was torn off. The walk up to wrecks of houses was interrupted in many places by small branch streams. Occasionally victim. The stench arising from the mud is sickening. Along the route were strewn tin utensils, pieces of machinery, iron pipes, and wares of every conceivable kind. In the midst of the wreck a clothing store dummy, with a hand in the position of beekoning to a person.

stands erect and uninjured. It is impossible to describe the appearance of Main street. Whole houses have been swept down this one street and become lodged. The wreck is piled as high as the secend story windows. The reporter could step from the wreck into the auditorium of the opera house. The ruins consist of parts of houses, trees, saw logs, and reels from the wire factory. Many houses have their side walls and roofs torn up, and one can walk directly into what had been second-story bedrooms, or go in by way of the top. Further up town a raft of logs lodged in the street, and did great damage. At the beginning of the wreckage, which is at the opening of the valley of the Conemaugh, one can look up the

valley for miles and not see a house. Nothing stands but an old woollen mill. Charles Luther is the name of the boy who stood on an adjacent elevation and saw the whole flood. He said he heard a grinding noise far up the valley, and looking up he could see a dark line moving slowly toward him. He saw that it was houses. On they came. like the hand of a giant clearing off his table. High in the air would be tossed a log or beam, which fell back with a crash. Down the valley it moved and across the little mountain city. For ten minutes nothing but moving houses was seen, and then the waters came with a roar and a rush. This lasted for two hours, and then it began to flow more steadily. The pillaging of the houses in Johnstown is something awful to contemplate and describe. It makes one feel almost ashamed to call himself a man, and know that others who bear the same name have converted themselves into human vultures, preying on the dead. Men are carrying shotguns and revolvers, and woe betide the stranger who looks even suspicjously at any article. Goods of great value are being sold in town to-day for a drink of whiskey. A supply store has been established in the Fourth ward in Johnstown. A line of men. women, and children, extending for a square, waited patiently to have their wants

The school house has been converted into a morgue, and the dead are being buried from this place. A hospital has been opened near by and is full of patients. One of the victims (Thompson) was removed from a piece of wreckage, in which he had been imprisoned ince Friday. His leg was broken and his face badly bruised. He was delirious when rescued.

and will not likely recover.

The Pennsylvania Raitroad is now laying tracks from Johnstown station to the washout. A temporary bridge is being built, and by tomorrow evening trains will be run into Johnstown. It will be more a matter of luck than a certainty. Communications by rail have been certainty. Communications by fail have been established between Pittsburgh and the end of the stone bridge. Assistant Superintendent Trump is on the grounds, and is the authority for this news. He knows nothing of the condition of the track between Johnstown and Aitoona. In some places it is said the tracks were scooped out to a depth of twenty feet. A train of cars, all loaded, were run on the Conmangh bridge. They, with the bridge, now lie in the wreckage at this point. The Pennsylvania liailroad loses thirty-five engines and man? are.

The Baltimore and Ohio tracks are now oncu and a train was run to the city free of charge for passengers at 1 o'clock. Mails are getting through by means of couriers across the moun-tains. A pony express line has been estab-lished. The Pennsylvania Raliroad will run line of stages between Johnstown and Cresson

if the tracks are as bad as reported. Measengers were sent along the line yesterday. They will make their reports in the city offices.

The ciling-cling-clang of the Duquesne has a hom—like sound to the reporters. The fire has has opread steadily all day, and the upper part of the drift is burning to-night. The fire engine is stationed on the river bank, and a line of hose laid far up the track to the coal mine. The flames to-night are higher than ever before, and by its light long lines of the curious can be seen along the banks. No. 3 will be put into service in the morning. Chief Brown has ordered an engine to Johnstown to go by way of the B, and O. It will be held there in order to protect the town should fire break out. The natural gas has been shut off, owing to the many leaks in Johnstown. No fire is allowed in the city. The walls of many houses are falling. Their crash can be heard across the river where the newspaper men are located. In the walk through the town to-day the word "Danger" could be noticed painted by the rescuers on the walls. Newspaper men are indebted to the Greensburg relief corps for their supper.

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Bishop Phelan is in Johnstown to-night. He made the perilous trip on the swinging bridge. For an aged man it was a dangerous trip, but he was bound to make it at all hazards. Fathers Corooran and Gallagher accompanied him. One of the Catholic churches in the town burned on Saturday. A house drifted down against it and set it on fire. A funeral was being held at the church at the time of the flood. The congregation deserted the church, and the body was burned with the building. Two trees passed entirely through a brick Catholic church located near the centre of the town. The building still stands, but is a total wreck.

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Five hundred tents arrived from Ohio tonight in charge of Adjt.-tien. Axine. Sixty-five have been put upon the hilleide and are now occupied by families. Gen. Axine went on to Johnstown to assist Major Sangier, who is in charge during Gen. Hasting's absence.

JOHNSTOWN POLICED BY TROOPS.

Adjt.-Gen. Hastings and Major Sanger have assumed charge of Johnstown. Nothing is legal unless it bears his signature. One effect of this systematic work is making itself felt. One town is guarded by Company II of the Sixth Regiment. Lieut. Leggett in command. New members were sworn in by him and they are making excellent soldiers. Special police are numerous, and the regulations are so strict that even the smoking of a cigar is prohibited. Gen. Hastings expresses the opinion that more troops are necessary. Mr. Alex. Hart is in charge of the special police. He has lost his lost his wife and family. Notwithstanding his great misfortune, he is doing the work of a Hercules in his own way.

Gen. Hastings's headquarters are at the Pennsylvania Railroad depot. A supply depot is established at this point, and many needy people are being relieved. Bodies that are dug out of the flat lie in the station until a coffin can be obtained. They are buried unidentified on Prospect Hill.

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James McMillin, Vice-President of the Cambria Iron, Works, was met this afternoon. He is completely unnerved by the terrible disaster. In a conversation he said:

"I do not know what our loss is. I cannot even estimate, as I have not the faintest idea what it may be. The upper mill is a total wreck, damaged beyond all repair. The lower mill is damaged to such an extent that all machinery and buildings are useless. The mills will be rebuilt immediately. I have sent out orders that all men that can must report at the mill to-morrow to commence cleaning up. I

will be rebuilt immediately. I have sent out orders that all men that can must report at the mill to-morrow to commence cleaning up. I do not think that the building is insured against a flood. The great thing we want is to get that mill in operation again."

The Gautier Wireworks, which was completely destroyed, will be rebuilt immediately. The works are owned and operated by the Cambria Iron Company. The buildings will be immediately rebuilt and put in operation as soon as possible. The loss at this point is complete. The land on which it stood is today as barren and desolate as if it stood in the midst of the Sahara desert.

The Cambria Iron Company loses its great supply stores at this point. The damage to the stock alone will amount to \$50,000. The building was valued at \$150,000, and is a total loss. The company's offices which adjoin the store is a handsome structure. It was protected by the first building, but nevertheless is almost totally destroyed. The Dartmouth Club, at which employees of the works boarded, was carried away. It contained many occupants at the time. None were saved. The loss of the Cambria Iron Company is estimated at from \$2,000,000 to \$2,500,000. But little of this can be recovered. be recovered.

THIRTY-FIVE MEN DROWNED IN A WAGON. J.G. Gill and thirty-five men started in a wagon to go up the mountain and all were drowned by the torrent which overtook them. Gus McHugh, an engineer on the Pennsylvania Bailroad, who lived in Conemaugh, was asleep when the torrent rushed down the valley. His wife was away from home at the time. Her when the torrept rushed down the valley. His wife was away from home at the time. Her husband and four children were drowned. Col. Norman M. Smith of Pittsburgh, while returning from Johnstown after a visit to Adjt. Gen. Hastings, was knocked from the temporary bridge into the river and carried down stream 200 yards before he was note to swim ashore. He was not hurt. Gen. Hastings countermanded the order calling out the Eighteenth Regiment. The order was not authorized and the militia are not needed.

PLUNDERING THE DEAD.

Four Hungarians Caught in the Act Driven Into the River-Two Others Hanged. JOHNSTOWN, May 2 .- The way of the transgressor in the desolated valley of the Conemaugh is hard indeed. Each hour reveals some new and horrible story of outrage, and every succeeding hour news of swift and merited punishment meted out to the flends who have dared to desecrate the stiff and mangled corpses in the city of the dead and torture the already half-crazed victims of the cruelest of modern catastrophes. As the roads to the lands round about are opened, tales of almost indescribable horror come to light, and deeds of the vilest nature. perpetrated in the darkness of the night, are brought to light. Just as the shadows began to fall upon the earth last evening a party of thirteen Hungarians were noticed stealthily picking their way along the banks of the Conemaugh toward Sang Hollow. Having suspicions of their purpose, several farmers armed themselves and started in pursuit. Soon their most horrible fears were realized. The Hungarians were out for plunder. Lying upon the shore they came upon the dead and mangled body of a woman. upon whose person there were a number of trinkets of jewelr; and two diamond rings. In their eagerness to secure the jewelry the Hun-garians got into a squabble, during which one of the number severed the finger upon which were the rings and started on a run with his fearful prize. The revolting nature of the deed so wrought upon the pursuing farmers, who by this time were close at hand, that they gave immediate chase. Some of the Hungarians showed fight, but, being outnumbered, were compelled to flee for their lives. Nine of the brutes escaped, but four were literally driven into the surging river and to their death. The inhuman monster whose atroccous act has been described was among the number of the involuntary suicides.

Another incident of even gleater moment has just been brought to notice. At 3% this morning an old rallroader, who had walked from hang Hollow, steeped up to a number of men who were congregated on the platform stations at Curranville, and sald:

Gentlemen, had I a shotzun with me half an hour ago I would now be a murderer, yet with no fear of over having to suffer for my crime. Two miles below here I watched three men going along the banks stealing the lewels from the bodies of the dead wives and daughters of men who have been robbed of all they held dear on earth.

He had no sooner finished the last sentence than five burly men, with looks of terrible determination written on their faces, were on their way to the scene, one with a coil of rope over his shoulder and another with a revolver in his hand. In twenty minutes, so it is said, they had overtaken two of their victims, who were then in the act of cutting pieces from the ears and fingers from the hands of the bodies of two dead women. With revolver levelled at the scoundrels the leader of the posse shouled. "Throw up your hands of I'll blow your heads off."

With blanched faces and trembling forms they obeyed the order and begged for mercy, They were searched, and as their pockets were emptied of their ghastly finds the indignation of the crowd intensified, and when a bloody finger of an infant, encircled with two tiny gold rines, was found among the body in the leader's pocket, a cry went up, "Lynch them! Lynch them!" Without a moment's delay ropes w were the rings and started on a run with his fearful prize. The revolting nature of the

is hinted that an Allegheny county official was one of the most prominent actors in this justifi-

PROVISIONS FOR THE SUFFERERS,

Train Loads Leaving Pittsburgh-Ten Car Loads of Coffin Also Sent. PITTSBURGH, June 2 .- The usually quiet streets of Pittsburgh on Sunday were to-day alive with excited people, eagerly seeking news from Johnstown. In front of the newspaper bulletins the crowds were so dense as to almost entirely suspend travel, and each new poster was read with an interest that to many was more than mere curiosity. Telegraph offices were thronged with people trying in vain to receive some word from friends and relatives in the stricken city. When the wires started working to Johnstown this morning there were on file at the Western Union office 1.000 telegraphic inquiries from all parts of the con-tinent for friends and relatives. Of these how few will ever be answered.

Early in the morning seven car loads of pro-

visions left the Union depot for Johnstown on a special train. Many cars loaded with provisions, bedding, &c., are agriving from points west, north, and south, and are being rapidly forwarded to the scene of disaster. A scene of activity was presented at the Chamber of Commerce this morning. A number of gentlemen of the liellot Committee were present receiving official and private telegrams from towns and cities in this and other States, receiving contributions of money from churches and individuals, and answering questions for those who came to seek information.

A special train conveying two fire engines and hose carriages, with a full quota of firemen, left here at about noon for Johnstown. Twenty-eight nolicemen of the l'litsburgh force accompanied them, under command of Inspector McAleese. The coffin manufacturers here are worked to their fullest capacity, and coffins are being shipped rapidly. This mouning ten car leads were sent down, containing 2,200 coffins. They will be distributed at various points along the river, where the dead have been collected. activity was presented at the Chamber of Com-

beint of the free, where the deal fave been collected.

A despatch from Steubenville. Ohio, says that Mr. Scott Salkeld, with his little son, left that place on Monday for South Fork, and it is feared they perished in the flood.

A benefit by the "My Partner" theatrical company in aid of the sufferers was advertised to be given in one of the theatres in this city this evening. The fact coming to the ears of the Law and Order Society, they gave notice that the performance would not be permitted. This action is severely censured by the community.

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The rivers are receding slowly, and all ap-preliension of danger is passed. Among the passengers from this city who are known to have been on one of the weekled trains are W. W. Patrick, the banker, and wife, the flev. Mr. Robinson of the Theological Seminary, and Miss Jennie Paulson. Their friends have re-ceived no word.

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A special from Greensburg says: "The Commissioners and Poor Directors of Indiana, Cambric, and Westmoreland counties will meet to-morrow morning at Nineveh to decide upon a plan for the burial of the dead. It is likely that a plot of ground will be selected just across the river in Cambria county, and it will be purchased by the three counties. One or two long graves will be made, and the dead as fast as they can be found will be placed there. Poor Board Attorney Splegel of this county says that no expense will be spared in regard to the burial of the dead. Immediate action will have to be taken, as some of the dead have turned black and are rapidly decomposing.

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"O. J. Falmer, travelling salesman for a Pittsburgh meat house, was on the ill-fated day express, one car of which was washed away. He narrowly escaped drowning. The engineer, the fireman, and himself, when they saw the flood coming, got upon the top of the car, and when the coach was carried away they caught the drift word, and fortunately it was carried near the shore and they escaped to the fills. Mr. Palmer walked a distance of twenty miles around the flooded district to a near-by railroad station on this side.

"The cash collected by the committee here for the sufferers has reached \$2,000, and it is probable that it will be doubled in a day or two. A car load of provisions and elething was sent to Johnstown this morning from here. The following despatch has just been received from Johnstown:

The unruly element has been put down and order is now perfect. The Citizens Committee are now in charge, and have matters well organized. A proclamation has just been issued that all men who are able to work must report for work or leave the piace. We have too much to do to support idders, and will not alone the generous help that is being sent by doing so. From to-morrow, all will be at work. Money now is greatly needed to meet the heavy pay rolls that will be incurred for the next two weeks. W. C. Lewis, Chairman of Finance Committee, ready to receive the same."

RELIEF FOR THE LIVING

burgh Contribute Liberally.

PITTSBURGH, June 2.- The Washington Infantry left l'ittsburgh for Johnstown this evening. They went without orders from the Governor, on the strength of earnest and repeated appeals from the stricken people of the Conemaugh valley. A SUN correspondent who accompanies the soldiers sends the following report from along the line:

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad is doing grandly for the sufferers. Superintendent l'atton was early on the ground and soon had the washed out portions of the road repaired. The road into the city has been opened since Saturday alternoon. All the towns along the roads are contributing provisions, and engines are taking the loads to the afflicted city. A car of eatables was put on the special train at McKeesport and West Newton. Loads of provisions have been sent from Cumberland, Myersdale, and other towns. Anothe special with eatables left Pittsburgh to-night. There is a great demand for oil, as the people are in darkness. The Standard Oil Company has already shipped a car load, and they are

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Supervisor Foley of the Somerset and Cambria branch was the first man to enter Johnstown after the flood. He walked over eightern miles to get there. He found a heavy freight train on the Baltimore and Ohio carried off the tracks and lodged in a cemetery a mile away. In the flats at Conemaugh twenty-one engines have been counted burled under the sand and driftwood. Mr. Foley estimates the loss of life at 8,000.

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Saltsburg raised \$2,00 in money, and shipped a car of catables. All the extra coaches of the Baltimore and Ohio are on the Somerset and Cambria branch.

Many of the people living along the road have friends in Johnstown, and they are frantic to get there to look for and identify them. Superintendent Patton has put extra cars and ongines at their disposal, and they are carried back and forward free of charge.

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are some neople skeptical enough to believe that the disaster is not half-so bad as it is reported, but overy newspaper man who has seen the wreck feels that he is not adequate to describe it. The inct is that all the truth has not been told. Nothing at all has yet been received from the country between Conemangh and South Fork.

At West Newton the citizens had been working all the morning, gathering money and food. About \$1.500 and a car of provisions have been collected thus far.

The little town is full of farmers wagons, and the people are highly excited. Instead of going to church in the county the grangers turned in and londed their wagons with flour, vegetables, and other food products. Just as wagon fond, but it will be put on the next train. Foster Walter, an engineer on the Cambria and Somerset branch, had a unique as well as tough experience. He was in the American House when the flood came. He succeeded in getting on to the roof of the house, where he stayed all night. A mule came floating down and lodged on the roof of the house, The animal stated with him all night until they were rescued. The clerk of the American House was saved and is now at Cornellsville.

RAILROAD PASSENGERS SAFE. List of Those on the Chicago Express

Johnstown Known to be Alive.

PHILADELPHIA, June 2.—For the first time in forty-eight hours communication was had indirectly with Altoona at 6 o'clock this evening at the Pennsylvania Railroad office in this city. The superintendent at Altoona says that the Atlantic express leaving Pittsburgh at 3 A. M. on Friday, the Chicago and New York limit ed (eastbound) which left Pittsburgh at 7:10 on Friday morning, and the Seashore express, which left Johnstown early on Friday mornins, arrived at Altoona on Saturday afternoon. All the passengers on those three trains are

reported to be well. Altoona sends the following list of passengers on the day express from Chicago, which was caught in the flood at Conemaugh, who are known to be safe:

William Henry Smith, New York; Edward Lyon, Boston; Mrs. J. W. Latta and daughter Edith. Philadelphia: Elizabeth Houmer, Writesville, Pa.: Mrs. Mary L. Cowne, Wash-Ington; H. C. Groch, Sharon, Mich.; Mrs. M. H. Smith, Broadway, New York; Mrs. Wm. T. Sergeant, Massachusetts; Philadelphia: Estella J. Kittering, Pennsylvania; Daniel Humphries, Indianapolis; Mrs. Clara DeWitt and child, Dennison, Ind.: John Laughery, wife, and three children. Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Maggie E. Mulaheny, Indiana; Mrs. Ella Garber, Aurora, Ill.; Mrs. A. S. Lippincott. Philadelphia; Mrs. Gussle Cook and child. Dennison. Ind.: Mrs. Fanny Murphy and child. Dennison. Ind.: Harriet Stockbridge, Curwensville; Mrs. G. W. Sankey and child. Chicago; Annie F. Hamiton. Yorkville, N. Y.; Mrs. Paris Schick, husband and daughter; Mise Simpson; C. E. McChire. Chicago; Mrs. Gallen and daughter. Pittsburgh: Lizzie B. Hunter, Pittsburgh: Mr. Field and son. Pittsburgh: Mr. Leise and son, Pittsburgh: George Lees, Pittsburgh: Urlah Carroll; R. E. Vaughn, Landleville, Pa.; F. H. Herney; H. A. Eagan, New York.

The following persons, passengers on the day express, are said to have been drowned at Conemaugh:
Mrs. J. W. Brady, Chicago; Miss Margaret Patrick, Pittsburgh; Wm. Sheller, Newark, N. J.
The following list of persons at Altoona is sent. It is known to comprise some of those on the two sections of the day express which was caught in the flood at Conemaugh, and is also thought to be partiy made up of those who reached Altoona by other east-bound trains: Mrs. A. S. Lippincott, Philadelphia;

the two sections of the day express which was caught in the flood at Conemaugh, and is also thought to be partly made up of those who reached Altoona by other east-bound trainers. He had been trained to the cast-bound trainers. He had been trained to the cast-bound trainers. He had been trained to the cast-bound trainers. He had been trainers and trainers and trainers are trainers. He had been trainers and trainers are trainers. He had been trainers are trainers and trainers are trainers. He had been trainers are trainers and trainers are trainers. He had been trainers are trainers and trainers are trainers. He had been trainers are trainers are trainers. H

view of the devious route by which the news reached here their absolute correctness cannot be relied upon.

Up to 10 o'clock to-night no names additional to those previously sent have been received here. All of the passengers taken to Altoona are quartered at the Logan House, a large hotel ample to accommodate them. The Pennsylvania Italiroad Company is providing for their wants.

A despatch this afternoon says that three unidentified persons, supposed to be passengers on the ill-tated day express, are at Conemaugh. They are described as follows: A man five feet eight inches in height, weighing probably 150 pounds, full gray beard, baid head, supposed to be Cyrus Sherry; a woman aged about 65, medium height, large boned, weight 185 pounds, had on abdominal trues; a woman aged 60, wavy curling gray hair, baid spot on head, carried open-face gold watch, supposed to be Mrs. Rey. Raney; the Rey. J. H. Pershing of Conemaugh has these bodies in charge. The railroad officials say to-night that they have information which leads them to believe that not over-seven of the passengers on the trains flooded at Conemaugh were drowned. The first report sent last night placed the number of dead at fifteen. Slater & Co. of this city received a despatch this afternoon from flockford, Pa. saying that J. G. Cox of their firm was drowned, and that his body had been recovered, and is now at that place.

INCIDENTS OF THE DISASTER.

Scenes of Desolation in Johnstown-Identifying the Bead-An Attorney's Thrilling Experience-Churches as Morgues, By the Associated Press.

Johnstown, June 2.-The situation here has not changed, and yesterday's estimates of the loss of life do not seem to be exaggerated. Six hundred bodies are now lying in Johnstown, and a large number have already been buried. Four immense relief trains arrived last night, and the survivors are being well cared for. A portion of the police force of Pittsburgh and Allegheny are on duty and better order is maintained than prevailed yester-

day. There is an absence of pillaging. Com-

munication has been restored between Cam-

work of repairing the tracks between Sang

bria City and Johnstown by a foot bridge. The

Hollow and Johnstown is going on rapidly, and trains will probably be running by to-morrow morning. Fully 15,000 strangers are here. There is no possibility of telling just who has been lost, as thousands are missing. The number of people who are seen alive are so lew in contrast with the population of the various little boroughs which constituted the city that the question," Where are the people?" is asked on all sides. The impression is gaining that the disclosures yet to come where the gorge collected, and which has burned over an

area of several acres, is yet more ghastly. The

number of bodies thus far recovered is about

600, but how many lie beneath the great bed of

fire, the uncovering of their bones can alone determine. DESOLATION IN JOHNSTOWN. The condition of the streets is one of unpar alleled desolation. Fine thoroughfares in the most densely populated parts of the town are denuded of the houses which once were the pride of their inhabitants. Trees, have been stripped of their branches, or uprooted and swept away. It is no exaggeration to say that not a single structure now left within the limits of the city is safe as a place of habitation, and all must be torn down and rebuilt. The gorge has so obstructed the sluceways of the viaduot that the water does not recede as fast as it otherwise would. All boats and water craft having been swept away, the means of getting

about the deluged streets is attended danger. Notwithstanding the dire distress of their fellow citizens, the Huns were yesterday caught purloining garments and searching the pockets of the victims of the awful tragedy. All food supplies having been destroyed, and all places of shelter having been rendered insecure, hun-

dreds took refuge on the slopes which surround the city on all sides. The scenes of these camps were pathetic. Little children clustered around their elders crying for food and shivering in the cold mountain air. For sixteen hours the little city was cut off from the world. and the tragedies of that awful night can never

DAMAGE TO BAILBOADS The Pennsylvania Railroad tracks at Sang Hollow, three miles west, were torn out and absolutely washed away for a distance of three-quarters of a mile. The heavy steel rails were twisted about as though they were slender copper wires, and in some instances were broken off by the strain brought to bear on them. One track was swept into the river, The rails and ties of the east track were thrown on top of the west-bound track, and in one place they were twisted into a plait. The stone ballast was washed from between the ties for over a mile, and in one place the rails. ties, and ballast were all swept away, and the heavy clay roadbed was beaten as hard as a cemented floor by the force of the current sweeping over it. On the Baltimore and Ohio there was much damage also, but there was no such torrent to devastate as that which swept down from the

South Fork reservoir with a rapidity incredible and a destruction unparalleled in the annals of American history.

The damage done the Cambria Iron Works mills is incalculable, and they will have to spend a labulous sum in repairs before they can resume work, which will not be for seveal months.

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The handsome brick high school building is damaged to such an extent that it will have to be rebuilt. The water attained the height of the window alls of the second floor. Its upper stories formed a refuge for many persons. All Saturday afternoon two little girls could be seen at the windows trantically calling for aid. They had spont all night and the day in the building, cut off from all help. Without food and drinking water, their condition was lamentable. Late in the evening the children were removed to higher ground and properly cared for. A number of persons had been taken from this building earlier in the day, but in the excitement the children were forgotten. Their names could not be obtained.

Morrill Institute, a beautiful building and the old homestead of the Morrill family, is totally ruined. The waier has weakened the walls and foundations to such an extent that there is danger of its collapsing. Many families took refuge in this building and were saved. Now that the waters have receded, there is great danger from falling walls. All day long the crashing of walls could be heard across the river. Before daybreak this morning the sounds could not but make one shudder at the very thoughts of the horrlole deaths that awaited many who had escared the devastaring flood.

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Library Hail was another of the fine buildings of the many in the city that are destroyed. Of the Episcopal Church not a vestige of it remains. Where it once stood there is now a pacid lake, The parsonage is swept away, and the rector of the church, the Rev. Mr. Dillon, was drowned. The church was one of the first buildings to fall. It carried with it several of the surrounding houses. Many of them were occupied. The victims were swept into the comparatively still waters at the bridge, and there met death either by firs or water.

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A THRILLING STORY.

James M. Walters, an attorney, spent the night in Alma Hall, and relates a thrilling story. One of the most curious occurrences of the whole disaster was how Mr. Walters got to the hall. He has his office on the second floor. His home is at 135 Walnut street. He says he was in the house with his family when the waters struck it. All was carried away. Mr. Walters's family drifted on a roof in another direction. He passed down several streets and alleys until he came to the hall. His dwelling struck that edifice and he was thrown into his own office. About 200 persons had taken refuge in the hall, and were on the second, third, and tourth stories. The men held a meeting and drew up some rules, which all were bound to respect. Mr. Walters was chosen President. The liev. Mr. Beale was put in charge of the first floor. A. M. Hart of the second floor, Dr. Mathews of the fourth floor. No lights were allowed, and the whole night was spent in darkness. The sick were cared for. The weaker women and children had the best accommodations that could be had, while the others had to walt. The scenes were most agonizing. Heartrending shrieks, sobs, and moans pierced the gloomy darkness. The crying of children mingled with the suppressed sobs of the women. Under the guardianship of the men all took more hope. No one slept during all the long dark night. Many knelt for hours in prayer, their supplications mingled with the proar of the waters and the shrieks of the dving in the surrounding shrieks of the fine mierry two women gave premature of the children. Dr. Mathews is a hero, Several of his ribs were crushed by a falling timter and his pains were most severe, yet through all he attended the sick. When two women in of his ribs were crushed by a falling timber and his pains were most severe, yet through all he attended the sick. When two women in a house across the street shouted for help, he with two other brave young men climbed across the drift and ministered to their wants. No one died during the night, but women and children surrentered their lives on the succeeding day as a result of terror and fatigue. Miss Rose Young, one of the young ladies in the hall, was frightfully cut and bruised. Mrs. Young had a leg broken. All of Mr, Walters's family were saved.

saved. EDITOR SCHUBERT'S FATE. This afternoon a spring wagon came slowly from the rulns in what was once Cambria. In it on a board and covered by a muddy cloth were the remains of Editor C. T. Schubert of it on a board and covered by a muddy cloth were the remains of Editor C. T. Schubert of the Johnstown Pree Press German. Lehind the wagon waiked his friend. Benjamin Gribble. Editor Schubert was one of the most popular and well-known Germans in the city. On Thursday he had sent his three sons to Conemaugh borough, and on Friday afternoon he and his wife and six other -hidren called at Mr. Gribble's residence. They noticed the rise of the water, but not until the flood from the dam washed the city did they anticipate danger. All fled from the first to the second floor. Then as the water rose they went to the attic, and Mr. Schubert hastly prepared a rait upon which all embarked. Just as the rait reached the bridge a heavy piece of timber rose from the water and swept the editor beneath the surface. The raft then glided through and all the rest were rescued. Mr. Schubert's remains were found this a ternoon beneath a pile of broken timbers. This evening his coffin was carried to his widow at the house of a friend in Morrellville.

A tour of the west bank of the river for a distance of two miles leaves the mind confused. There are not over a hundred bodies to be seen, but while a mass of people walked back and forth they were strangers. Not one person in ten that one met was a resident of this vicinity. It leads to the belief that hundreds, perhaps thou-ands, are still burled in the mid and debris, burned in the awful furnace at the stone bridge, or lodged further down than the senrchers have yet gone. That mony are burled yet is also indicated by a fresh flad every few hours, though no thorough search in the mud and d br s has been begun. The belief that many were burned is strengthened by the unmistakable edor that rises from the ashes of the file on the river bank.

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The work of getting the bodies together for easy identification began this afternoon. The central point was Morreliville. On Fairfield avenue is a large vacant lot belonging to I rank Lecky. At 5 o clock this was almost entirely covered with coffins, while between them and stooping over them were weeting men and women. Although the number was short of 100 at 5 o clock others will come in, and there is no telling what the total will be. In one rough box was a piece of paper with the words. "Three children." To-night they were litted out and all three placed in one coffin. The little bodies were almost natised, and the purple faces bruised and cut. Many of the bodies had not been identified. Among those who had are the following:

John W. Parson, wife and child; Aubrey Parsons, wife, and two children; Mrs. John Henderson and two children; Mrs. Cush. Miss Frank, daughter of John Frank; James Ligh ner, wife, and sister, Margaret Lightner; Miss Frank, daughter of John Frank; James Ligh ner, wife, and sister, Margaret Lightner; Miss Luther, James Bridges. Louis Weinseler and wife. Lizzle Howe, Mrs. Andrew Leonard, Mrs. Cash. Miss Katzenneyer, Miss Broceby, Mrs. Caroline Polack, John Kurtz, Samuel and Rose Hawthorne, Mrs. Joseph Smith and three children. Peter McEnnorny and family of nine. Mrs. Boeph Smith and three children. Peter McEnnorny and family of nine. Mrs. and Miss Hammil, Mrs. H. M. Ogle, Western Union telegraph operator, and Miss Minnie Ogle Miss Graeg Gorman, Thomas Jackson, telegraph lineman, Mr. Andre, Mrs. John Jones, a boy: Cora McCharren, Wm. Smith, Frank and Edward Kechin, Alexander King, Jacob Walse, Emma Tusedera, Miss Oswaid, Emma Brege, Eliza Delane, George and Eddie Miller, Mr., and Mrs. John Tokatach, Mrs. Huff, Wm. Fridierger, Ida Warner, Lewis Lener, Wm. J. Williams, Daily Finnert, Mary Ann Howe, Geor

ger and August Hicker.

The following identified dead are lying in the Fourth Ward schoolhouse: F. Eutler, James G. Cox, George Randolph, Harry Barbour, James Murtha, Mrs. W. Jones, Robert Miller, Elmer Bricky, S. D. Eldridge, Mrs. Barbour, Jacob Wald, wile, and child; Rate

Linchnit, Robert Baldwin, C. McNally, Frank Dimond, William Penrod, P. McAnley, John Streimer, M. L. Davis, Mrs. Defrance, the two Misses Richards, Ella Harrington, Charles A. Marshall, John Beenes, John Anderson, C. H. Wisson, M. Little, A. M. Jones, Misses Hamilton (three), C. R. Batter and Charles Wisson, John Andrews, John Burns, Mr. McCoy, and Mrs. O'Connell. A number of other bodies are lying in the schoolhouse, but they are unidentified.

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Only a few hundred yards below he bridge a number of bodies had been taken to rivate houses. They were taken to the Merzelville Morgue this afternoon. Among then were the following.

Emma kane, George Kritzf, Marie Duerovski and her daughter of the same name. Anna Toka, William kush, James lyidges, Mrs. John Lobern, and Miss Marie Lobern. Five were not identified.

In one rude box lay the body of a beautiful young woman. "Any one know her?" called out a committeeman. A crowd passed the box, but no one called her name. On the face was an expression of peace. The features were line and the clothing elegant. The only disagreement was an unity cut on the left temple, sufficient to cause death.

The cornse of another beautiful young woman lay in the exteniporized morage. Feveral people say it is that of Miss Ide Fischer, a prominent young indy of Johnstown.

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ANFUL SCANE OF DEATH IN A CHURCH.

The distance to St. Columba's Catholic Church is a indiffulle. The streets to it are filled with broken houses, and in those that were left standing people were basy snovelling mud from the first floors. The scene at St. Columba's Church was awful. Forty or lifty bodies had been carried into it and laid on the muddy scats. The following had been hentified at 5 P. M.; Rate Frank, Charles A. Keiss, James Lightner, Justice of the Peace, and wife; Edward O'Neili's baby. Louis Winesselfer and wife, Miss Rose McAnaney, Mrs. James P. McConaughy, Daffney Keelan, Thomas Fazan, Mrs. P. hush, Mrs. Wm. Kirby, Mrs. Hitchin, and Thomas, son of Michael Hayes.

Lying in a row in this church were five children from 2 to 6 years old. No one had identified them this afternoon. Their little curls were matted with mud, their nositris were filled with sand, and the eyes often commetely covered. No one had come to wash away the dirt from their tiny faces or the blood stains from awind cuts and bruises. Where are their paicuts? Across the aisle iny the massive frame of a Hungarian laborer. Strong men as well as children were the torren's victims.

St. Laries German Catholic Church stands a quarter of a mile below the bridge. Its waits are standing, but in-ide it is filled with broken benches and ruined images. In it were bound the mangiest body of P. Eldridge and the remains of several negroes.

There were men at work in Lower Voicer Catholic Cometery and Grand View Protestant Cemetery this afternoon digging trenders. The badies that were exposed when the waters began falling are in bad condition. Some have already been interred. In the haste and excitement no definite arrangements seem to have been made for uneral service. The only suggestion that could be obtained at Morrell-ville was that all the bodies would be buried and general memorial solvices held after the present suffering is allevlated.

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THE DISASTER TO THE EAST-BOUND TRAIN.

In a talk to-day with Conductor Bell of the first section of the day express east, laid up at Conemagn on the night of the disaster, he said: "The first and second sections storped side by side at Conemagn on Friday afternoon on account of the washout at Lilly. The second was next to the hill, the first on the outside. Suddenly I saw what looked like a wall of water. It was thirly feet high. We barely had time to notity the passengers, and they nearly nil fled up the hillside. One old man, who with his son returned for some reason, was drowned. Two cars went down in the current. I do not know how many were drowned. We saw two on top of the cars. The water set fire to a lot of lime, and the fire caught two Puliman cars, which were destroyed, but no rerson was burned, all the passengers having left the train before the cars caught. There were about 100 versons on my section, which was made up of day coa hes. After the mad rush the passengers went back to the cars, and later were cared for by the people of Conemand. Afterward they were taken to Ebensburg. They expected to go east to Altona this afternoon, Friends of those on the Chicago limited need leel no anxiety, as it was not in the flood at all." THE DISASTER TO THE EAST-BOUND TRAIN.

MISSING MEN THRY HE AT IVE

Missing Men Turn up alave.

Harry Bose, the nopular District Attorney for Cambria, is among the missing, and there is scarcely a doubt that he is among the lost. Many have been reported lost who are not. Coi. John Linton and his lamily are sale. John M. Rose is not dead, as reported, nor Coi. James McMillan. The Rev. H. Chapman, also reported dead, is alive. These facts, circulated this afternoon, caused much loy.

A squad of Eattery B, under command of Lieut. Brown, the forerunners of the whole battery, arrived at the improvised telegraph office at 6:30 o'clock, He went at one to Adyt.-Gen. Hastings, and arranged for proper protection.

tection.

Another dispensary, under Drs. Wakefield of the Cambria Medical Society, Stewart of the Allechany Society, and Milligan of the West-Allegheny Society, and Milligan of the West-moreland Society, is doing good work. Dr. Milligan says that they treated 300 patients to-day. They are at Nanoleon street dispensary. No surgeons instruments could be procured in the city until 2 o'clock this atternoon. Among their 300 natients the dectors have many with fractured skulls, and nearly all have broken bones. One man had a heavy iron bar driven through his leg beneath the knee, separating the two bones. A thigh amputation was made. A wimman has her knee and the lower part of her limb crushed out of all shape. A thigh amputation was necessary. her limb crushed out of all shape. A trich am-putation was necessary.

Dr. Milligan reported at 6 P. M. that seventy-six bodies had been taken out at bearnsville, and eighty-five above the silk works.

Chief Evans of the Fittsburgh Fire Depart-ment arrived this evening with engines and soveral hose carts, with a full complement of men. A large number of Pittsburgh physicians came in the same train.

THE MAD RUSH OF THE TOLLEST.

Mr. Crouse, proprietor of the South Fork Fishing Club Hotel came to Johnston this afternoon. He says that when the dam of Conemaugh Lake broke the water seemed to leap hardly touching the ground. It bounded down the talley, crashing and rearing, carrying everything before it. For a mile its front seemed like a solid wall twenty feet high. The warning given the stretchen city was sent from South Fork vilinge by Freight Agent Dechort. When the great wall that held the Leity of water began it crainfile at the top he sent a message begging the peenle of Johnstown for God's sace to take to the hills. He reports no serious accidents at South Fork. Richard Davis ran to Prospect Hill when the water began to rise. As to Mr. Dechort's wa ning, he says just such messages have been sent down at each flood since the lake was made. The warning se outen proved unnecessary that little attention was paid to it this time.

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"At first it leaded like dust. That must have been the spray, I could see houses some down before it like a chia's play blocks set on edge and the spray Locald see houses. hefore it like a chio's play blocks set on edge in a row. As it came nearer I could see houses totter for a moment, then rise, and the next moment be crushed like edge she is against each other. Mrs. H. M. Ogle and her daughter Minnie are among the drowned. Mrs. Ogle was one of the best lady telegraph operators of the country. For twenty-five years or more she managed the Western Union office, and for twenty years she had handled the Associated Fress work here.

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Mrs. James Davis, her two daughters and a son, can newhere be found. At Woodville there was a row of brick tonement houses 120 feet long and three stories high. It stood brondside to the current. A few tonnets led, but many went to their attres to watch the flood. To-day hardly the foundation of the row of brick houses can be found.

Superintendent kirtund of the West Pennsylvania hadrond arrived at 6:30 P. M. with a car load of provisions from Bialirsville.

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I saw the last coffin used this attennoon. Three There are no coffins here to bury the dead. I saw the last coffin asseithis siternoon. Three thousand more at least will be needed. Therefore, to the argeal for assistance may be a ided the words. "said us coffins by the train load for we need them as tad as we do bread."

Charnel houses have een established in all parts (i Johnstown. The principal one is in the public school building on Adams street. Two hundres bodies have been taken there for identification since the flood occurred. Lower down in the ruins forty more bodies lie anding claimants. Over on the south side a nubing claimants of the witer and dorries at Johnstown and antended the water and derries at Johnstown and suburbs clone. Add to them the additional 100 or like corpess which flowed from Johnstown down stream and are now lying at Ninevan, Fiorence, Sang

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In his weakening days. Napoleon claimed that he was compatible in the bonk his e comb nation could be to sample on their statements whi you show not secure a bid from the New York Bank Note Company 1-adv.

The rush for spring furniture is on the wane, so Find